

Touring

Issues To Consider When Planning
A Rugby League Tour...



NW Counties
13 - 15's

Amateur Rugby League





In order to go on tour you should be able to answer the following questions...

1) What Is The objective of the Tour:

- Social/holiday to tie in with another major event: Rugby League or otherwise
- Cultural Exchange
- Training Camp
- Performance
- Unique/Exotic
- To Establish a reciprocal arrangement with an overseas team to make a longer term relationship.

2) What Is The Budget Plan - How much cost per person for the tour? One good idea is for each touring participant to make regular payments towards the cost of tour....e.g. 20% down payment and then a percentage per month leading up to the tour.

3) Experience Of The Tour Leader And Management Team

- Have the leaders, led tours before and for how long

4) What Number of Games Are To Be Played?

5) What Age Group And Gender Are The Players

6) What Playing Standard Is The Touring Team - Elite or Development?

7) What Are The Principles Of The Tour Management:

Is it win at all costs or is the main win that the tour happens? e.g. such as to a new RL area.

8) What Is The Length Of The Tour?

9) When And What Time of Year Will The Tour Be? Is the time of year good for both the touring team and the recipient?

10) Who Are The Key Contacts In The Country In Which You Are Travelling?



Other Things To Think About...

- Passports - *Do people have them & are they in date*
- Insurance/Medical (EHIC forms) - *For EU nations*
- Price of Travel/Accommodation - *the earlier this is booked, the more economical!*
- Visas - *are they required, e.g. Russia - Yes, Serbia - No*
- Timescales - *between the idea for the tour and the actual tour will need to be managed*
- Local Food - *Expectations!*
- Political Climate/Government Advice
- Code of Conduct - *Has all the party agreed to a code?*
- CRB Checks
- Recommended Medical Staff
- Itineraries - *allow social and cultural experience*
- Risk Assessments - *Have management considered the risks & what to do in difficult situations e.g. What to do with injured players and medical emergencies*
- Passports - *Do people have them & are they in date!*
- Applications For Cultural Funding
- Understand Cultural Differences - *The financial situation in another country*
- Local Sponsorship/Council Support
- Media Plan - *Before and After*

Set of 6 For Touring...

1) Establish Objectives
of the Tour

2) Define Parameters
of the Tour
Who, Why, Where, When?

3) Establish Contact &
Financial Feasibility,
Complete International
Protocol form of home body

4) Develop Itinerary with
Local Host Federation

5) Finalise Plans

GO!

ON RETURN: Complete Review Form

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